

REMARKS

Claims 54-58 are pending in the present application. Claims 54 and 55 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. Applicants note with appreciation that claims 56-58 were allowed. With entry of this Amendment, Applicants hereby amend claims 54 and 55. Reexamination and reconsideration in view of the amendments and arguments submitted herewith are respectfully requested.

Claims 54 and 55 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. More specifically, the Examiner stated that the claims were directed to a system but did not recite any hardware system components. The Examiner further looked at the specification and determined that the claims must recite software components in a non-statutory manner. Applicants do not acquiesce to the Examiner's analysis. However, to advance prosecution, Applicants hereby amend the claims to recite hardware system components. More specifically, as amended, claims 54 and 55 recite a processor. Naturally, a processor is known in the art to be a hardware component and is thus statutory subject matter.

If, for any reason, the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, Applicants request that the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles telephone number (213) 892-5790 to discuss any steps necessary to place the application in condition for allowance.

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